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SUBJECT: CLEARANCE REQUEST FOR NASA WB-57F AIRCRAFT

REF: STATE 210064

1. AS PART OF CONTINUING SUPPORT OF DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY'S  
PROJECT AIRSTREAM, NASA REQUESTS CLEARANCE FOR SERIES OF  
FLIGHTS IN APRIL FROM HOWARD AFB, CZ. FLIGHTS WILL BE  
SIMILAR TO PREVIOUS MISSIONS TO DETERMINE LEVEL OF  
BACKGROUND RADIATION AND ATMOSPHERIC CONSTITUENTS AND  
CONTAMINANTS AT VARIOUS LEVELS OF UPPER ATMOSPHERE.

2. RESULTS OF PROJECT FLIGHTS ARE PUBLISHED QUARTERLY  
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AND DISSEMINATED WORLD-WIDE.

3. AIRCRAFT SCHEDULED TO ARRIVE HOWARD AB APRIL 6 AND  
CONDUCT TWO FLIGHTS FROM HOWARD OVER INTERNATIONAL WATERS  
AND ONE OVERFLYING ECUADOR IN PERIOD O/A APRIL 7-9. ROUTE  
OF FLIGHT OVER ECUADOR WILL BE AIRWAY A-12 FROM TABOGA  
PANAMA TO ORO INTERSECTION TO TABOGA TO 9 DEGREES 00

MINUTES NORTH, 79 DEGREES 30 MINUTES WEST RETURNING TO

ORO INTERSECTION AND THENCE TO TABAGO AND HOWARD. ALTITUDES TO BE SAMPLED ON ECUADOR FLIGHT ARE FROM 50,000 TO 63,000 FEET.

4. AIRCRAFT IS NASA MAINTAINED AND OPERATED WB-57F; CALL SIGN NASA 928, WITH CREW OF TWO NASA CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES.

5. INSTRUMENTATION ON BOARD INCLUDES WHOLE AIR SAMPLING SYSTEM, QUALITATIVE PARTICULATE SAMPLER, TRITIUM SAMPLER, STRATOSPHERIC AIKEN NUCLEI DETECTOR SYSTEM AND QUANTITATIVE PARTICULATE COUNTER. AIRCRAFT NOT REPEAT NOT CONFIGURED WITH ANY DOWNWARD LOOKING SENSORS.

6. PILOT WILL FILE INTERNATIONAL FLIGHT PLAN.

7. PLEASE OBTAIN NECESSARY CLEARANCES PLUS OR MINUS ONE WEEK TO ALLOW FOR MECHANICAL AND/OR WEATHER DELAYS AND ADVISE. VANCE

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